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FM AMEMBASSY TEGUCIGALPA

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INFO AMEMBASSY GUATEMALA

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SUBJECT: UNITED CAMPESINO FRONT LEADERS CONFER WITH CHIEF OF STATE

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1. ANACH, UNC AND FECORAH, THE THREE LARGEST CAMPESINO ORGANIZATIONS, FORMED A UNITED CAMPESINO FRONT IN ORDER TO PRESSURE THE GOVERNMENT INTO A MORE RAPID DISTRIBUTION OF LAND. A DOCUMENT DRAWN UP BY THE GROUP DETAILING THE NEED FOR FASTER DISTRIBUTION OF LAND WAS DELIVERED TO CHIEF OF STATE MELGAR ON OCTOBER 8. SINCE THAT TIME, THERE HAVE BEEN MEETINGS BETWEEN INA OFFICIALS AND THE CAMPESINO ORGANIZATION. IN ADDITION, FESITRANH (NORTH COAST BASED LABOR FEDERATION) AND FECESITLIH (TEGUCIGALPA BASED FEDERATION) ISSUED DECLARATIONS SUPPORTING THE GENERAL AIMS OF THE CAMPESINO GROUP.

2. ON OCTOBER 28 THE LEADERS OF THE CAMPESINO ORGANIZATIONS

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MET WITH CHIEF OF STATE MELGAR TO DISCUSS THE SITUATION.

REPORTEDLY MELGAR OUTLINED THE VARIOUS ALTERNATIVES AVAILABLE TO THE GOVERNMENT. AT THE END OF THE MEETING THE VARIOUS CAMPESINO LEADERS VOICED CAUTIOUS STATEMENTS ABOUT THEIR VISIT WITH THE CHIEF OF STATE AND WARNED THAT THE RANK AND FILE WERE PRESSING FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION.

3. COMMENT: THE GOVERNMENT CLEARLY WANTS TO AVOID LAND INVASION OR SIMILAR DISTURBANCES. HOWEVER, AT THE SAME TIME, MELGAR AND OTHER GOVERNMENT LEADERS DO NOT WANT TO APPEAR WEAK IN THE FACE OF CAMPESINO "ULTIMATUMS". IN ADDITION, IT IS PROBABLE THAT MELGAR, WHILE CONCERNED ABOUT AGRARIAN UNREST, BELIEVES THAT A GOOD DEAL OF THE CAMPESINO PRESSURES ARE NOT SPONTANEOUS, BUT HAVE BEEN CREATED BY THE LEADERSHIP OF THE CAMPESINO ORGANIZATIONS.

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